

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ARAPAHOE-HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A meeting of the Board of Education of Arapahoe-Holbrook Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, May 13, 2024, at 7:00 PM in the Distance Learning Room, 610 Walnut Street, Arapahoe, NE 68922. The roll was called and the following Board members were present or absent: Chad Carpenter: Present, Erick Lee: Present, Nancy Schutz: Present, Dan Warner: Present,

Rodney Whipple: Present, Leigh Zodrow: Absent.

Also present was Mr. Bob Drews, Superintendent, Mr. Rudy Perez, Secondary Principal, Mr. Benjamin Ellis, Elementary Principal, and Cassie Hilker, Board Secretary. Visitors were present.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Opening the Meeting:

Call to Order: President Warner called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance (Carpenter): Mr. Chad Carpenter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nebraska Open Meetings Act: At the beginning of the meeting, President Warner announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall of the meeting room and directed the public to its location.

Publication of Meeting/Sign Acknowledgement of Receipt of Meeting Notice:

Roll Call:

Excuse Board Member Absences:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Rodney Whipple to excuse the absence of Board Member Leigh Zodrow.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Welcome Visitors:

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Reports:

Student Council Representatives: N/A

Board Committee(s): Carpenter stated that they reviewed the claims and finances. Whipple stated that the Tech Committee also met. They reviewed the Technology Plan and equipment is being updated on a rotation. Lee stated that the Community Relations Committee met. Drews stated that the Building & Grounds Committee met and is planning to hold off on a number of projects that are not emergent.

Board Member(s): N/A.

Elementary Principal: Mr. Ellis presented the Elementary Principal Report.

Secondary Principal: Mr. Drews presented Mr. Perez' Secondary Principal Report.

Superintendent: Mr. Drews presented the Superintendent Report.

Teacher Presentations - Elizabeth Klein: Elizabeth Klein shared with the Board that circulations in the library were up this school year compared to last. They are winding things down and hunting down books to make sure they all get turned in. She shared that they are working on improving math skills with the Continuous Improvement Steering Committee. She helps with testing our students and evaluating the results.

Discussion Item(s): Mr. Drews stated that he is planning to meet with the Arapahoe Chamber of Commerce on May 21st and the City of Arapahoe on June 4th (tentative) to discuss the financial situation of the School District. He is also planning to meet with the Village of Holbrook and Edison. Lee stated that laying blame is not helpful, the fact is that the legislature has taken away local control.

Action Item(s):

Consent Agenda, including Minutes and Financial Reports:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve the consent agenda as presented.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Claims:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve expenditures and payments totaling \$547,902.25 as submitted by Administration to the Board.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Abstain (Claim No. 37716 to W&J Repair for \$29.59), Lee: Abstain (Claim No. 37709 to Tri Valley Health System for \$215.00), Schutz: Abstain (Claim No. 37680 to Hemelstrand's for \$405.69), Warner: Yea, Whipple: Abstain (Claim No. 37656 to ATC for \$362.36), Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 1, Nay: 0, Absent: 1, Abstain (With Conflict): 4

FCCLA National Convention:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve the per diem request and registration costs for the National FCCLA competition.

The motion Failed.

Carpenter: Nay, Lee: Nay, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Nay, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 2, Nay: 3, Absent: 1

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve the per diem request for the National FCCLA competition.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Nay, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 4, Nay: 1, Absent: 1

2024-2025 Classified Pay Package:

Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve classified pay package as presented.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

2024-2025 ESU 5 Contract for Spanish I and Spanish II: No action - ESU 5 is still working on final numbers for their contract.

1st State Bank Bus Loan:

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve securing a loan from First State Bank of up to \$290,000 for final bus lease payments to Wells Fargo, upon invoice prior to June 10, 2024.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Northland Security (1st National Bank of Omaha) Agreement:

Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve financial services agreement with Northland Security (1st National Bank of Omaha) as presented.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Surplus Equipment-AccuTemp Steamer Oven (model E62083E150 SGL):

Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve declaring the AccuTemp Steamer Oven (model E62083E150 SGL) as surplus equipment to be sold at the discretion of the Superintendent.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

2024-2025 Negotiated Agreement Extra Duty Schedule Amendment:

Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve the amended Extra Duty Schedule as part of the 2024-2025 Negotiated Agreement as presented.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Personnel:

Classified Staffing Update: Mr. Drews stated that 4 Paraprofessionals have resigned. We have open Paraprofessional positions for the 2024-2025 school year. We do still have a need for custodial help and will have a full-time position open in March.

Public Comment - Open: Jenny Spaulding thanked the board members for their service. She commented that publishing a notice in the newspaper regarding the school finance meetings with the community would be appreciated. She then asked how curriculum is

assessed. Drews stated that they have to submit reports to the state. There is a curriculum review committee which takes input from teachers, administration, and board members.

Future Meetings: Finance Committee Meeting - June 10, 2024 at 6:30 pm; Regular Board Meeting - June 10, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Adjourn:

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Rodney Whipple to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 pm.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

The meeting was duly adjourned.

DATED this Monday, May 13, 2024

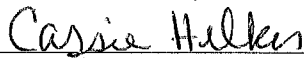
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BY:



Dan Warner, President

ATTEST:



Cassie Hilker, Secretary